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OLD YEAR PASSES

Few business houses will close tomorrow.

MANY TO SEE 1915 IN

Usual New Year Fêtes Tonight—Post office Closed Part Time County Offices Remain Open.

Aside from the fact that a few business houses will be closed, the postoffice partially closed and a few extra frolics and dances held, Maryville will pay little observance tonight or tomorrow to the passing of the year 1914 and entrance of 1915, at midnight tonight. A few have made New Year's resolutions, touching upon past divergences from the "straight and narrow" path, and some will celebrate the occasion in the several ways becoming the season, but with these exceptions the passage will receive little concern.

Today nearly every merchant, banker, business man, and even individuals, are looking over the activities of the year, reviewing the past twelve months and taking a look ahead into 1915. The bill collectors are laying awake nights now, devising new devices in which to ensnare the wary bill dodgers, when to them the day of all days—January 1—appears tomorrow.

Officials Pass Out, Too.

Unlike Christmas and many other holidays of the year, none of the county or city offices will be closed tomorrow on account of it being New Year's day. Instead, most of the officials will work all the harder for several reasons. The day marks the exit, just as with the year 1914, of five county officials and the entrance of five to succeed them. Therefore, they are particularly busy in getting affairs straightened, that the successors might have "easy sailing."

Two other county officials leave their posts next Monday, so they, too, will be busy for the next few days getting everything in "ship-shape" for their successors.

Down at the city hall the officials also are in the midst of the work. Deputy City Collector Harold Selecman, is particularly busy in taking in city taxes on real estate, personal property and merchants' stocks.

Members of the water works board, City Clerk Chester Bennett and other officials also are engaged today in preparing annual reports and in getting accounts straightened.

Partial Postal Service.

With but one exception all the larger mercantile establishments of Maryville will be open the usual hours tomorrow and few of the smaller business establishments will observe the day. The banks will be open all day.

The postal employees will receive a partial holiday, as they are compelled to work all day each Christmas. None of the seven rural carriers will "make" their routes tomorrow, and only one complete delivery of mail will be made by the city carriers.

The general public will be accommodated, however, at the postoffice tomorrow. The general delivery window will be open from 11 o'clock tomorrow morning until 12:30 o'clock in the afternoon. Persons receiving mail regularly on rural routes also will be accommodated at that time, if they call at the general delivery windows.

Some to Dance Year Out.

Socially, the passage of years will be observed in the usual manner. There is no doubt but that a few bells will peal forth their gladsome sounds at the hour of 12 tonight, and a few guns will be shot off in token of the passage—that is to be expected.

A number of parties, socials, frolics of various kinds and dances likewise will be held tonight and tomorrow night in observance of the event. One of the larger affairs of this nature will be held tonight by the Elks club. It is in the form of a New Year's cabaret dinner dance. About ninety couples are expected to attend.

The regular weekly ball of the Woodmen of the World, in its hall, also will be patronized better than usual, it



PAY AT CITY HALL

NEW PLAN WOULD CUT OUT PERSONAL COLLECTIONS.

A MUNICIPAL SAVING

Economy in Direct Payments for Water Propose to Shut Off Service to Non-Paying Patrons.

A meeting of the board of public works will be held in the city hall tonight to transact regular business and to discuss plans for further improvement in the water service of the city. One of the changes proposed is to compel all municipal water patrons to make payments each month for such service direct to the city hall. Heretofore a collector has gone from place to place each month to receive water service payments.

It caused a great loss of time and resulted in considerable expense to the city, it is said, in that many times the persons were away from home when the collector called, or was unable to pay at that particular time. Some times several extra trips would have to be made to a single house for perhaps \$1 or less, it is said.

Few Use Present Method.

The plan is to have each of the 960 water service patrons pay each month at the city hall, either in person or by letter or proxy, just so the money is forthcoming. If such payment is not made by the middle of a month, it is proposed to shut off the water service, then bring suit for the amount due, after a second notice is given.

Before the water will be turned on again it would be necessary for the patron to pay up all back water tax and in addition a penalty of 10 per cent of the total amount if proposed plans are followed.

It is pointed out by the city officials that few if any private or municipally owned water plants make personal collections for water service, but compel the patrons to make payments, as is proposed here.

Several other proposed minor improvements in the service and at the plant also will probably be discussed and action on them taken at tonight's session.

The proposed method does not conflict with any state statutes or rulings of the Missouri public service commission, according to M. E. Ford, a member of the board of public works.

COURT IN FINAL SESSION

Retiring County Judges Wind Up Affairs Today for Incoming Officials Tomorrow.

A final session of the present county court is being held in the court house today to wind up affairs for the incoming officials of that tribunal tomorrow. There is little business to transact however today, other than to pay up all bills now held against the county. They total \$800.

Recommendation also was made this morning that the assessment of property held by W. H. Swinford, of near Clyde, be lowered to conform with the assessment of last year. This a slight reduction.

The retiring judges of the county court are: John G. Thornhill, presiding judge and Floyd Westfall of the south district. Judge Thornhill will be succeeded after today by W. M. Blackford. Matthew Farnan will take the place of Floyd Westfall on the county court. Only E. T. Bailey of the north district, will hold over.

DEFER DRAINAGE CASE A MONTH.

Resume Hearing of Litigation Over Nodaway River "Cut" February 1.

The hearing by Special Referee Peter Breit of Savannah, in two suits over the Nodaway river drainage ditch, which has been on in circuit court here since Monday, was continued yesterday afternoon until February 1. This action was taken on account of Judge Breit being compelled to return to Andrew county, to take up his duties tomorrow as probate judge to which office he was elected in November.

Several witnesses are yet to be examined before the hearing is concluded. It is nearly two-thirds finished. The first suit is that of Sternberg & Son of Kansas City, contractors, against Nodaway drainage district No. 2, for approximately \$5,000 on account.

The drainage district in return brought a suit for about \$6,000 damages against the contractor of the drainage ditch, on the grounds that it failed to comply with specifications and contract. The ditch extends from the Iowa line to Quitman.

Read Democrat-Forum want ads.

PLAN FOR REVIVAL

BAPTISTS BEGIN MONTH'S EVANGELISTIC SERVICES SUNDAY.

A. E. BURCH TO DIRECT

Evangelist and Singer, Arch Carter, to Conduct Meetings—The Rev. L. M. Hale to Assist.

The First Baptist church will begin its annual evangelistic series of meetings Sunday night. It will continue for three weeks or a month. The Rev. A. E. Burch of Kansas City, an evangelist of much experience, and Arch Carter, his singer and choir leader, will have charge of the services. The Rev. Lewis M. Hale, pastor, will assist Mr. Burch.

While the revival meetings will begin Sunday night at the usual time of 7:30 o'clock, Mr. Burch will not arrive in Maryville until Monday. He is now holding a revival at Laddonia, and can-



OFFICIALS GO OUT

FIVE COUNTY OFFICERS RETIRE TODAY—TWO MONDAY.

NEW MEN IN TOMORROW

Outgoing "Public Servants" Wind Up Affairs This Afternoon—Incoming Ones Give Surety Bonds.

When the doors to the various county offices in the court house are closed for the day at 5:30 o'clock this afternoon five men who have held positions as "public servants" for the last few years will bid the place a last farewell. When those same doors are opened tomorrow morning in will step five new county officials, four of them for a stay of four years and one for three years.

Those who will say good-bye to the old life tonight are: J. Arthur Wray, recorder of deeds for the last four years; W. M. Oakerson, county school superintendent since 1906; Eugene Rathbun, circuit court clerk since 1906; John G. Thornhill, presiding judge of the county court for four years, and Floyd Westfall, associate judge of the county court for two years.

With them will be these assistants: Miss Nellie Wray, deputy recorder of deeds; Mrs. John Porter, deputy county school superintendent.

Salute the New Comers.

Tomorrow morning these persons will open the doors to the county offices in their stead. Dan R. Baker, new recorder of deeds; Albert H. Cooper, new county school superintendent; George H. Westfall, new circuit clerk; W. M. Blackford, new presiding judge of the county court, and Matthew Farnan, new associate judge of the county court.

INJURES SPINE IN FALL.

Leonard Lynch Hurt When Hay Rack is Overturned.

Leonard Lynch, a young farmer living two miles west of Maryville, was seriously hurt Tuesday afternoon when he was thrown from a load of hay upon which he was riding.

While going down a slight incline of the road the hay rack was overturned and Mr. Lynch was thrown forward, striking the double-trees of the wagon. His spine was injured and it is feared he also received internal injuries.

DEALERS PAY LICENSE TAX.

Treasurer W. R. Tilson Received \$4,000 Yesterday from 61 Business Firms.

The long delayed payment of city, county and merchants' tax, which became due November 1, has at last begun, and yesterday and today the officials that attend to this business were kept unusually busy in receipting for tax payments. One of the busy collectors yesterday and today was W. R. Tilson, county collector ex-officio.

He receipts for the \$7,613.86 due from business firms of Nodaway county on merchants' occupation tax and for the \$31,087.67 due from public utilities holding property within this county.

Of the total merchants' tax, approximately \$4,000 was taken in yesterday by Collector Tilson from sixty-one business firms of the county, while much more is coming in today. Yesterday's mail carried fifty-seven payments. The other payments were made in person.

Not half of the railroads, telegraph and telephone companies doing business in this county, had paid this morning. Among those that had paid were the Burlington railroad, \$10,516.67, Western Union Telegraph Company \$293.91 and Hanamont Telephone Company \$221.74.

Collector Tilson also is now busy receipting for bonds, given by Nodaway county merchants to insure payment of next year's occupation tax.

Home from Eastern Visit.

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Herren of East First street returned yesterday from a two months visit at Carnegie, Pa., where they were the guests of their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Wray Dudley.

Sawyers Has no Assistant.

George Pat Wright, prosecuting attorney of Nodaway county for the last four years, and M. E. Ford, his assist-

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THE WEATHER

Fair tonight and Friday; warmer to night.

NOT TOO LATE

to enter the

Christmas Savings Club

at the

FARMERS TRUST CO.

Great January Clearing Sale

Starts Saturday, January 2

GREAT REDUCTIONS ALL OVER THE HOUSE

Suits

We have only 15 suits left after a most successful suit season. These suits are worth up to \$30.00 and will be closed out now for your choice only \$9.95

Flannelette Gowns

Carlsbad Flannelette sleeping garment. The world's very best, now all reduced

20 per cent

Children's Cloaks

Children's Cloaks will all be closed out at exactly

One-half Price

Dresses

Your choice of any Ladies Silk or Wool Dress in the house at exactly

One-half Price

Skirts

All Skirts will be closed out at One-third off

Blankets

All Blankets are reduced 10 per cent off

Silks

All Silks reduced now 20 per cent off

Furs

All Furs now reduced 25 per cent

Underwear

Ladies and Children's Underwear now all reduced 10 per cent

Sweaters

Your choice of any Sweater in the house at One-fourth off

Ladies Cloaks

Your choice of any Ladies' Cloak in the house at One-third off

*Tomorrow being
New Year's Day
this store will be closed all day.*

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DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAY.

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ant, will don their official crowns Saturday afternoon and re-enter into the law practice as partners. Their office will be in the second floor of the Michau building, Fourth and Main streets.

Monday morning William G. Sawyers will assume the title of prosecuting attorney on a salary basis of \$2,500 annually, as against a salary and fee basis of former years. He will be unassisted—at least for the present. During the January term of circuit court here, which begins January 18, he intends to employ such special counsel as necessary, then when spring comes maybe select an assistant. He returned this week from a three weeks visit in Ohio.

Clyde Visitor Returns.

P. J. Ellerman of Clyde has returned to his home after a week spent in Maryville visiting his daughter, Mrs. John Shonley.

Guests at Tobin Home.

Mrs. Henry Messbarger of Ravenwood and Miss Nelle Tobin, a teacher in the schools of St. Joseph are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Tobin this week.

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C. H. JOHN LAUDS OZARKS.

Former Maryville Resident Writes of Conditions at Siloam Springs.

The Rev. C. H. John, formerly of this city, who went to Siloam Springs, Ark., several weeks ago to make his home, writes to his friends through The Democrat-Forum, under date of December 25, as follows:

It is Christmas evening. We have greatly enjoyed the day at home. It has been delightfully cool, not cold. The thermometer registers about 30 above. We confess to a slight sense of loneliness as we think of our many Maryville friends who so truly and effectively evidenced their love in the hour of our need. Yesterday's mail reminded us that these good friends still have us in their thoughts.

The pleasure of the day has been much increased by the presence of our cousin, Miss Maggie Evans, formerly of Maryville. She came yesterday from Kansas City. Several Nodaway county people are here, and so far as I know are all well and are satisfied.

To a large extent we are enjoying the weather here by contrast. When you had 10 below, with a stiff north wind, we had 2 or 3 above and no wind. When you had a dense fog and so dark that you had to turn on your electric lights in the daytime, we had the benefit of a clear sky and bright sunlight.

I will not attempt any description of Siloam Springs and the surrounding country lest you suspect I am writing in the interest of some real estate firm. I will, however, risk saying that arrangements are being made to put in a sewerage system next spring at a cost of about \$50,000. Allow me to say for the benefit of H. T. Crane and other like disposed friends that the opportunities for fishing and hunting are quite good. In conclusion, will you allow me to express to my many friends my thanks for their kindly expressions of friendship to me at this Christmas time, for never before did I feel the need of friends as I do now.

C. H. JOHN.

Here from Kansas.

Mrs. Ed Moran and children of Meridian, Kan., arrived in the city yesterday to visit Mrs. Moran's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Mahoney.

Does your piano rattle? If so, have it looked after at once. Now is the most trying season on soundboards. Call D. N. Scott, Hanamo 24.

CHRISTIANS BEGIN REVIVAL.

Ravenwood Church Begins Evangelistic Meetings—Des Moines Worker in Charge.

A series of revival meetings is being conducted at the Christian church of Ravenwood. The meetings are being conducted by the pastor, the Rev. Floyd Perrin, assisted by Miss Esther Thulin, an evangelist from Des Moines, Ia. The meetings are being well attended.

IS RELATED TO ROOSEVELT.

Maryville Visitor is Niece of Cousin to Former President Roosevelt.

Mrs. Charles Perrin of San Francisco, Cal., who has been visiting Mr. Perrin's mother, Mrs. Alice Perrin, will leave today for Clarion, Ia., to visit her uncle, Theodore Roosevelt.

Mrs. Perrin's uncle is a cousin to the former president, Theodore Roosevelt. The relationship occasionally causes remarks as on Christmas day, when Mrs. Perrin was remembered with a check from her uncle. She took the check to one of the Maryville banks to be cashed, and when the signature was noted it caused considerable comment at the bank before Mrs. Perrin could explain that it was not from the former president.

Mrs. Perrin will meet her husband at Clarion, and from there they will return to San Francisco.

For rent January 1, modern 8-room house with basement and wash room; repainted and repapered throughout. Well located, 3 blocks from square. Call Hanamo 331.

Returns to Kansas City.
Miss Carrie Watson of Kansas City, who has been the guest of her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Watson, and family, living west of the city, returned to her home this morning. Miss Watson is employed in the office of the Redpath-Horner Chautauqua bureau in Kansas City.

Centerville Lump Coal, well forked, \$4 per ton, delivered or at Burlington track. Doll Reese, weigher. Wm. Everhart.

Guests at the Hull Home.
Mrs. Clair Jordan and two children of Idaho Falls, Idaho, are visiting in Maryville, guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Hull of West Second street. Mrs. Jordan was formerly Miss Mary Kyler of this city.

MANY HOGS BEING SHIPPED.

Fear of Cholera is Sending Hogs in, Says C. H. Espy.

"The supply of marketable hogs in Nodaway county is running low after several weeks of extensive shipping," remarked C. H. Espy of Arkoe, who, with his brother, E. C. Espy, was in St. Joseph Wednesday with a load of hogs that sold at satisfactory prices, says the St. Joseph Stock Journal. The Espy brothers are Duroc-Jersey breeders, owning one of the finest herds of this breed of hogs in northwest Missouri. "Nodaway county," continued Mr. Espy, "had a good drop of hogs to start with, but at the rate the stuff has been shipped in the past few weeks the supply has been reduced to below normal. Fear of cholera has hastened the marketward movement. The disease first broke out across the Missouri river in Kansas, but it has since spread to herds in Missouri, resulting in many farmers ordering cars for shipment."

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Piano Tuner.
I will remain in Maryville for a few days tuning pianos. D. N. Scott, tuner and repairer. Hanamo 24.

TOGGERY BOWLING TEAM WINS.

Haines Trio Lose to Cellar Aggregation—All Make Low Scores.

A game devoid of any "star" bowling and with a high score of only 158, and average of 145, made by Del Strong, resulted last night in the Toggeries team winning two of three games from the Haines team. That the cellar trio should come across with a victory against the heretofore leading

breeders, owning one of the finest

herds of this breed of hogs in northwestern Missouri. "Nodaway county,"

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Total 424 368 409

Haines 439 383 396

Saunders 131 95 133

Stapler 143 148 142

Becker 150 125 134

Totals 439 383 396

Won. Lost.

Haines 12 9

Empire 12 9

El Roi Tans 9 6

Machinists 11 13

Toggeries 7 14

BELGIAN FLOUR SAILS TODAY.

Maryville's Contribution to Needy Europeans Leaves New York.

The car of Nodaway county wheat ground into flour which recently was contributed by Maryville individuals

from the Haines team. That the cellar

trio should come across with a vic-

tory against the heretofore leading

team was one of the features of the

Massapequa tourney contest last night.

The next game will be between the

El Roi Tans and the Machinists next

Tuesday night. The scores:

Toggeries—

Strong 143 126 104

Greenly 146 132 158

Henry 150 125 134

Totals 439 383 396

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High grade Illinois Lump, Egg or Nut Coal, well forked. \$4.75 to \$5 per ton. Burlington track or delivered. Doll Reese, weigher. Wm. Everhart.

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Grab Sale

10c a grab

Complete stock of merchandise will be included. At the McCrary Millinery Store, North Main Street.

Starting January 1

H. G. Holmes, Proprietor

Clark Weaver
W. Third St.

low's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any of Cataract that cannot be cured by Hall's Cataract Cure.
F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.
The undersigned, have known F. J. Hall's Family Pills, and believe him honorable in all business transactions fully able to carry out any obligations his firm.
NAT. BANK OF COMMERCE,
Toledo, Ohio.

Hall's Cataract Cure is taken internally, acting only upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price 75 cents per bottle. Sold by all Druggists. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Nick Sturm to Oklahoma.
Nick Sturm left yesterday afternoon for Oklahoma City, Okla., to meet Mrs. Sturm, who has been there several weeks visiting at the home of her son, Edward Sturm, and family. They will spend the next ten days visiting Oklahoma City and other places and then return home.

Here from Brookfield.
Miss Gladys Keyser of Brookfield arrived in the city yesterday to spend the week the guest of Miss Besse Scott.

Talk on Osteopathy Number 4

Tie a string around your finger-tight, what will follow? The finger will turn red, and then it will turn black. In time it will die, and perhaps in consequence you will die too.

No treatment internal or external material or mental, can save your finger so long as the string remains. The one thing absolutely necessary is the removal of the string.

In a crude way this illustrates the principle at the basis of OSTEOPATHY.

Eight years ago a football player in Philadelphia was picked up after a scrimmage, paralyzed. For six months he lay unable to move a toe or a finger, or to raise his head. There was no question as to the condition. Because of the dislocation of a portion of his spine, the young man's nerves could not act normally, owing to the pressure on them. Specialists from the University of Pennsylvania were at length called in consultation as to the advisability of an operation, but it was too delicate to undertake.

Then an Osteopath as sent for. He untied the string. That is he readjusted the spine, releasing the nerves from pressure. The young man was soon on his feet, and has remained well to this day. This is an easily verifiable illustration of the apparent wonders in curing that are being done under the name of Osteopathy—not magically but simply by using in a common sense the anatomical knowledge which every physician has or ought to have, but often fails to utilize.

It may startle you, if for years you have been suffering torments to be informed that all of your woes may be due to the fact that one of your vertebrae is a small fraction of an inch out of position, or that some muscle is contracted and shortened, or is too ill developed to offer the requisite resistance to an opposing muscle.

Do you recall the stiff neck that followed a cold, the lame back that came from a strain (the sore spot) that you had for so long after that fall you had on your spine? In each case practically the same thing took place, muscles were contracted and made quite strong traction on bones of the spinal column or on the ribs. And notwithstanding the wonderful stalwart and cohesive makeup of the structure a slight misplacement or sub-luxation of bone or bones followed.

If your stomach fails to perform its work you would not think of looking between the shoulder blades for the cause of the trouble. It may seem absurd to treat diseases of the eye or ear by manipulations of the neck.

But the Osteopaths do these things, and they cure the diseases, and the point is that this treatment is not directed at the symptoms, but the primary cause is sought for.

DR. E. J. CARLSON

Osteopath.

207 N. Main street, Maryville Mo.
Phone 5570 Hanamo.

MISS GENEVIEVE CLARK,
Speaker's Daughter to
Wed Owner of New
Orleans Newspaper.



Photo by American Press Association.

GERMAN AIR SQUADRON FLIES OVER DUNKIRK

Drop Bombs Filled With Shrapnel, Killing Fifteen Persons.

London, Dec. 31.—Four German aeroplanes flew several times over the city of Dunkirk, dropping bombs as they went, according to the Dunkirk correspondent of the Daily Mail. Soldiers in the streets fired on the machines and one Taube seemed to be hit, but all got safely away.

The official returns show that fifteen persons were killed and twelve wounded. The bombs were filled with shrapnel.

For half an hour the whole city cracked with rifle shots and bombs which threw up dense clouds of black smoke. No sooner did one aeroplane seem to depart than another arrived. Buildings in all parts of the city were wrecked.

The first bomb fell on the fortifications, two more near the railway station and many others in different parts of the town. One child had an arm blown off and an old woman was killed outright.

The fifth aeroplane remained as seen outside the town, ready to attack any of the allies' aeroplanes that might seek to repel the air assailants.

PLAN \$5,000,000 RIVER LINE

Eastern Financiers Want to Establish
Bridge Service on Mississippi.

St. Louis, Dec. 31.—Plans for a \$5,000,000 freight barge line on the Mississippi river were submitted to the board of public service of St. Louis in a letter received from John H. Bernhard of New York, technical adviser of a group of eastern financiers. The proposition was referred to the director of public utilities and he was instructed to offer the co-operation of the city to the fullest extent in arranging for the desired municipal terminals.

Kaiser Converts Ships Into Hospitals.

St. Louis, Dec. 31.—Germany has equipped a large number of floating hospitals in preparing for the day when the German and British fleets meet to decide the supremacy of the sea, according to a story published in the Evangelist, at Bremen, a copy of which was received here by Herman Jacoby. Six large passenger ships, rented from the North German Lloyd's, the publication says, have been converted into hospital ships.

PARIS WAR OFFICE REVIEWS FIGHTING

Paris, Dec. 31.—There has been given out in Paris the following official recital of the principal events of the war during the last nine days:

"This period of nine days resulted in consolidating the successes won by us during the ten days preceding. Our aggressive attitude has been continued with ever increased energy; everywhere the enemy has been reduced to a defensive attitude. The violence of counter attacks has been evidence that he accepted this attitude reluctantly. The checking of every movement made by him in his endeavor to re-capture ground lost to us made our advantage the greater."

"It is proper to say that at various points along the front, particularly near Arras, on the western boundary of the Argonne district, and near Verdun, we have made ourselves the masters of important points of support."

"The operations to the north of the Lys have been attended by great hardship, because of the bad weather; the cold, liquid mud, in which the men have had to move, has gotten in the breeches of their rifles. This made it impossible to shoot. The fighting consequently has been with the butt end of muskets and even with fists."

"According to an expression used by one of their leaders, our soldiers are literally blots of mud. There has been organized for them a system by which they can now bathe and change clothes upon leaving the trenches."

You Can Reduce Your Grocery Bill Buying From **Remus** FOR **Friday and Saturday**

We quote as follows:

2 quarts Cranberries	15c
4½ lbs fancy Jap Rice	25c
Good bulk Coffee, lb	15c
Frontier Coffee, lb	25c
Gallon can Frontier Peaches	45c
Gallon can Frontier Apricots	45c
Gallon can Red Raspberries	60c
Gallon can Black Raspberries	60c
Gallon can Apples	25c
Quart Household Ammonia	10c
Buffalo Flour, sack	\$1.15
Fine solid Cabbage, lb	2c
Fresh California Navel Oranges, per doz	25c
15c patent lever Mop Stick	10c
3 lbs choice Muir Peaches	25c
Fancy Ben Davis Apples, peck	30c
Gallen Sauer Kraut	25c
Dozen Dill Pickles	15c
Dozen Sour Pickles	10c
2 frames Honey	35c
Three 5c pkgs Rub No More	10c
25c can K. C. Baking Powder	20c
7 bars Ben Hur Soap	25c
4 cans Eagle Powdered Lye	25c
Quart can Log Cabin Syrup	35c
½-gallon can Log Cabin Syrup	65c
Gallon can Log Cabin Syrup	\$1.25
Quart jar pure Fruit Jam	35c
3 cans Sweet June Peas	25c
20c can Frontier brand extra standard quality goods—	10c
Strawberries	15c
Blackberries	15c
Red Raspberries	15c
Black Raspberries	15c
2 cans Frontier Succotash	25c
Frontier Green String Beans	10c
Frontier Yellow Wax Beans	10c
3 cans Frontier Sweet Corn	25c
4 cans Wisconsin Sweet Corn	25c
2 cans Frontier Sweet June Sifted	10c
Peas	25c
3 cans Frontier Lye Hominy	25c
3 cans Frontier Pumpkin	25c
3 cans Frontier Sweet Potatoes	35c
3 cans Frontier Sauer Kraut	25c
3 large cans Pork and Beans	25c
3 pkgs Skinner Elbow Macaroni	25c
3 cans Frontier Tomatoes	35c
25c can Frontier Yellow Cling Peaches for	20c
25c can Frontier Yellow Cling Sliced Peaches	20c
25c can Frontier Yellow Free Peaches for	20c
30c Frontier White Cherries	25c
Frontier Grated Pineapple, can	10c

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The Best Thing About Christmas.
One of the best things about Christmas is the fact that it cracks the shell of our daily life and allows sentiment to break through and show its head for at least a day.

We are so afraid of showing feeling that we become mere automata. "How d'you like rain?" Such remarks from the daily expression of many in their daily association with their kind. Ashamed to express a real idea, they skulk behind the usual and the conventional and live housed up within their own hearts, until no one knows they have any heart and they are not quite certain of it themselves. But when Christmas comes, forth rides Sentiment and rough-shoos over the conventions fairly squeezing out expressions of friendship and affection!

There's Old Grumpy, to whom we have never even dared say "Good morning" save in an undertone. On Christmas eve we boldly stick under his nose a beflowered card which says 3 lbs choice Muir Peaches all sorts of foolishly sentimental things about his tomorrow and even his future—a tense which has not heretofore been acknowledged between us. And the different members of our family whose conversation is usually carefully held in leash lest we place a too high estimate upon ourselves—for a single day all restraint is removed and we actually tell each other, either by card or in hand-made lettering that we still love each other in spite of the everydayness of life.—Los Angeles Times.

W. R. C. Installation.

The Women's Relief Corps will meet Saturday afternoon at their hall to hold the annual installation of officers. The ceremonies will be public and each member of the corps is invited to bring a friend.

Wedding Guests Return.

The Young People's club of the First Presbyterian church will celebrate the New Year's eve by having a bobbed ride, followed by a watch party at the manse, with the Rev. and Mrs. S. D. Harkness as hosts. The crowd will assemble at the church for the ride at 7:15 o'clock.

Given Surprise Party.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Myers were the honored guests of a surprise party given them Monday night by a number of their neighbors. After a pleasant evening with games and music, a supper was served. Those composing the crowd were Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Allen, Mrs. E. P. Powell, Miss Frankie Masters, Miss Ruby Ruddell, Miss Rose Myers, Miss Agatha Hengeler, Joseph Carlson and A. B. Hengeler.

K. of C. Card Dance.

The Knights of Columbus gave a card and dancing party Tuesday evening in their new club rooms in Ryan hall, on North Buchanan street. This is the first affair to be held in the new quarters since the rooms have been refurnished. A luncheon followed the program. The arrangement committee was composed of Will Blatter, Lewis Gram, J. W. Linneman and Lawrence Lattin.

Entertains Will-o'-the-Wisp Club.

Misses Elizabeth Leet and Lillian Carpenter were the hostesses of a delightful afternoon party yesterday at the home of Miss Carpenter, when their guests were the members of the Will-o'-the-Wisp club. The hours were spent with games. Those present were Miss Mary Wooldridge, Miss Elfrieda Linville, Miss Mildred Bellows, Miss Virginia Robinson, Miss Mabel Curnutt, Miss Marie Wright and the hostesses.

Kreh-Cogswell.

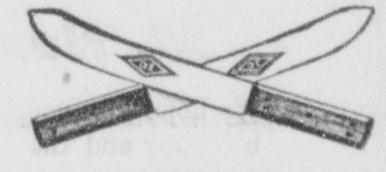
Miss Bertha Kirch, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Kirch of this city and Dr. John G. Cogswell of Riverton, Wyo., were married yesterday morning at Riverton, the Rev. Father M. Namer performing the ceremony. Dr. Cogswell and his bride left immediately after the ceremony on a honeymoon trip and are now at Denver. They will arrive in Maryville the first of next week to visit Mrs. Cogswell's parents. The bride has been spending the past year at Riverton with her brothers, Lawrence and Albert Kirch.

For Miss Montgomery.

Mrs. J. S. Shinabarger entertained a few guests at six-hand euchre Tuesday evening as a courtesy for her house guest, Miss Eva Montgomery of St. Joseph. Mrs. Shinabarger was aided by her young daughter, Mildred, in enter-

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Universal Meat Cutters are satisfactory because they cut more in the same length of time, never clog and are guaranteed. That means they must do the work.



Diamond Edge Butcher Knives and Steels are guaranteed to hold the edge. We have them in 6, 7 and 8 inch. Also a guaranteed six inch butcher knife at 25c. Diamond Lard Presses in six or eight quart. If you butcher 4 hogs that weigh 300 pounds each the Diamond Press will save its first cost in lard. Lard cans in 5, 8 and 10 gallons.

When the snow is in the air and the frost is in the tree, tis time to chop the summer wood.

The Diamond Edge Ax is guaranteed to hold a keen edge and not to break. It costs no more than the ordinary grades. Cross Cuts and one man Saws, all filed and set ready for use. Steel wedges, Mauls and splitting Mauls.

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taining her guests, who were Miss Montgomery, Mrs. John Clary, Mrs. Byron Rhoades, Mrs. John Richey, Mrs. T. L. Wadley, Mrs. J. C. Allender, Mrs. George Pat Wright, Misses Stella and Eleanor Smith, Miss Bertha Ritze and Miss Gertrude Condon.

Gives Euchre Party.

The second afternoon party given this week by Mrs. Edward Wolfert for the pleasure of her niece, Miss Carrie Margaret Baker, was given yesterday, when about thirty-five guests were entertained. Colors and favors suggestive of the Christmas time were used in decorating. The prize at six-hand euchre was awarded to Mrs. Cleve Funk and the guest favor to Mrs. Lafe Allender. Mrs. Wolfert was assisted during the afternoon by Mrs. George B. Baker and Miss Kate Willis. Among the out-of-town friends present were Mrs. Arthur Nusbaum of Topeka, Kan.; Mrs. Lafe Allender of Atlantic, Ia., and Mrs. Arthur Leet of Bedford, Ia.

Miss Barton Entertains.

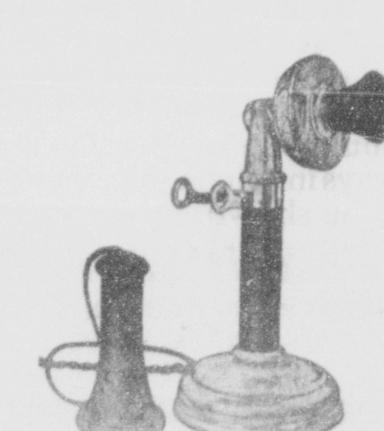
Miss Zella Barton, teacher of the Swallow school, was the hostess of a delightful party given Christmas eve at the country home of Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Riggie, southwest of Maryville. Mr. and Mrs. Claud Moore and two birthday anniversaries of Miss Barton's family, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Anderson, were attractive with decorations in the John Anderson and daughter, Crrell, of

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We hope that your New Year will be happy and that you will enjoy many more.

(First Insertion Dec. 10, last Jan. 13.)

To whom it may concern: Notice is hereby given that I, Fred P. Robinson, assignee of the estate of William B. Fian, deceased, being satisfied that it is no longer advantageous to the creditors of said assignee to keep the assignment open, will, on the 18th day of January, 1915, file my application with the clerk of the circuit court of Nodaway county, Missouri, asking and praying for my full discharge from the trust as such assignee.

Witness my hand this 19th day of December, 1914.

FRED P. ROBINSON.

Mrs. H. L. Hepburn of Hopkins, came to Maryville this morning to visit her daughter, Mrs. D. E. Hotchkiss.

Don't allow your piano to go neglected. Better call tuner at once. D. N. Scott, Hanamo 24.

To our many patrons and friends and the flower loving public in general, we wish you

a very happy
and prosperous
New Year

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LETTER LIST.

Following is a list of the letters remaining unclaimed in the Maryville postoffice for the week ending Wednesday, December 30:

Men.

Alopp, Jack.
Beck, Robert.
Brady, Frank.
Butt, Edward S. (foreign).
Haskell, Joseph.
Mapin, W. R.
Noblet, Reed.
Scott, B. M.
Wisner, W. K.

Women.

Auten, Mrs. A. T.
Dawson, Mrs. Elvira B.
Hayes, Mrs. Harvey.
Henderson, Mrs. Martha.
Massee, Miss Alma.
Smalley, Mrs. Mary.

Miscellaneous.

Rock Island Agent.
Persons calling for the above named letters will please say "advertised."

JAMES TODD, Postmaster.

Guest at Ray Home.

Ernest Ray, of Okmulgee, Okla., and Theodore Ray, of Slater, Wyo., are visiting in Maryville with their parents Mr. and Mrs. James Ray.

High grade Illinois Lump, Egg or Nut Coal, well forked. \$4.75 to \$5 per ton. Burlington track or delivered. Doll Reese, weigher. Wm. Everhart, tf

Fine Drunk \$5.

R. T. Hughbanks was fined \$5 and costs amounting to \$6.10 in police court this morning for having been drunk.

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AMERICAN FARMS BREAK RECORD

Worth of Output For Year Reaches Almost Ten Billions.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF HOUSTON.

Amount is Nearly Hundred Millions Greater Than That for Preceding Twelve Months—Gain Due to Increase in Animals, Says Statement.

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Corn and Wheat Crops.

The corn and wheat crops, however, were the most valuable ever produced in the United States, bringing the year's crop value total to only \$88,279,000 less than the total for last year, despite the loss of more than \$300,000,000 in the value of the cotton crop.

"The estimated value of the animal products of the farm in 1914," said the secretary of the department of agriculture, "is distinctly higher than in 1913, which was itself a record year in the value of this class of products. This is due to general but slight increases in production, except for sheep and swine, and in prices, more especially to a small increase in the average farm price of eggs, and to a more considerable increase in the farm price of cattle and calves sold and slaughtered."

Sales of Crops.

The sales of crops last year were estimated at \$2,928,900,000; sales of live stock, \$2,919,000,000, a total of \$5,847,000,000. The estimated value of total sales per farm was \$892 and sales per capita of rural population (excluding towns) \$139.

The value of the principal farm crops this year was: Corn, \$1,702,599,000; wheat, \$878,000,000; hay, \$779,068,000; cotton, \$519,616,000; oats, \$499,431,000; potatoes, \$198,609,000; barley, \$105,963,000; tobacco, \$101,411,000; sweet potatoes, \$41,284,000; rye, \$37,000,000; sugar beets, \$27,959,000; rice, \$21,849,000; flaxseed, \$19,540,000; and buckwheat, \$12,892,000.

In the production of the above fourteen principal crops, this year's aggregate was about 10 per cent larger than in 1913 and 6 per cent smaller than in 1912, which year stands as one of the greatest aggregate productions in the United States.

Two Exceeded Records.

This year two important crops exceeded previous records—wheat with \$91,000,000 bushels, following the 1913 record of 763,000,000 bushels, and cotton with 15,966,000 bales, the previous record being 15,693,000 bales in 1911.

The value per acre of all enumerated crops average about \$16.44 this year, compared with \$16.52 in 1913.

Suspended Bank Reopens.

Phoenix, Ariz., Dec. 31.—The Valley bank, largest in Arizona, which was closed Nov. 10, reopened today with a new set of officers. The bank had thousands of depositors. None lost a penny, and in celebration of the reopening they will give a parade Saturday, followed by a "prosperity dinner."

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS

Closing Quotations on the Chicago Board of Trade.

Chicago, Dec. 31.—Closing prices: Wheat—Dec., \$1.26½; May, \$1.28½.

Corn—Dec., 66½¢; May, 73½¢.

Oats—Dec., 48½¢; May, 53½¢.

Pork—Jan., \$18.55; May, \$19.12½.

Lard—Jan., \$10.35; May, \$10.57½.

Ribs—Jan., \$10.07½; May, \$10.45.

Chicago Cash Prices—No. 2 hard wheat, \$1.25½@1.27½%; No. 2 yellow corn, 68@68½¢; No. 3 white oats, 49½¢.

Chicago Live Stock.

Chicago, Dec. 31.—Cattle—Receipts, 18,000; weak; native steers, \$5.40@9.85; westerns, \$5@7.80; cows and heifers, \$3@8.10; calves, \$7.50@10.

Hogs—Receipts, 50,000; 5@10 lower;

bulk of sales, \$7@7.10; light, \$6.70@7.10; mixed, \$6.80@7.20; heavy, \$6.80@7.15; rough, \$6.80@6.90; pigs, \$5.40@7.05.

Sheep—Receipts, 20,000; unsettled; sheep, \$5.75@6.60; yearlings, \$6.75@7.65; lambs, \$6.75@8.65.

South Omaha, Dec. 31.—Cattle—Receipts, 2,500; 10c lower; beef steers, \$6.50@9; cows and heifers, \$5@7.25;

stockers and feeders, \$5.75@8.10;

bulls, \$5@6.50; calves, \$7@9.

Hogs—Receipts, 10,000; steady to 5c lower;

bulk of sales, \$7@7.10; top, \$7.15.

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India Restricts Exports of Wheat.

Delhi, India, Dec. 31.—In view of the abnormal prices of wheat the India government decided to restrict exports to 100,000 tons of wheat, including flour, from Dec. 1 to March 31, 1915.

The exports will be confined to British possessions in which a strong demand for the cereal exists.

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T. J. Clayton, 308 S. Dewey street,

Maryville, says: "We got Doan's Kidney Pills from Love & Gaugh's drug store and they were used for kidney trouble. They brought lasting benefit and I am willing to endorse them."

Price 50c, at all dealers.

Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. Clayton recommends. Foster-Millburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y.

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